

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

Dear FCC:

I would like to express my concern over removal of the limited rules on media ownership which currently help protect the quality of broadcast information and in particular, news information.

In the past 20 years I had seen a serious decline in the quality of news information provided to me via television. So little of what is broadcast is news, so much is either entertainment or advertising. I would very much like to see this trend reversed. Instead I am concerned that relaxation of existing rules would allow the opposite. They would allow the broadcast industry to move in the direction of other industries which as a result of merger after merger provide less and less service to customers.

Thank you.